

Local public speakers



OPTIMIST CLUB

By Roger Gervais

'Sharing' topic

At the last meeting April 7, we had the Zone Oratorical, involving children from Orangeville, Mississauga, Erin and Georgetown.

They had to have a speech of about three to five minutes on the topic of "The Commitment to Share".

The students involved were Danny Glover, sponsored by Erin Optimist Club, Carolyn Beetan and Mike Hassey sponsored by the Optimist Club of Orangeville, Carol Bethune sponsored by the Mississauga Optimist Club and Andy Kiss and Larissa Hretetka sponsored by the Georgetown Optimist Club.

Eventual winners were Danny Glover of Erin and Carolyn Beetan of Orangeville.

Winners of the trip for two for one week to Topago are Mike and Sylvia Vall and winners of the consolation is Gord Farr. Winner for the suit of the month is Harvey Handy.

Parents: are you concerned with the safety of your child and bike? If so, make note of this date: April 25, 1981. We will be having a bike rodeo. Also included in the program will be a display on rules and regulations on bike safety. There will be trophies and ribbons for the different events - during the day. It is open to children 14 years old and under. This event will be held at Holy Cross School.

Watch next week's paper for winners of the Hockey Showdown held at Gordon Alcott Memorial Arena April 11.

COMING EVENTS

April 23 - Election Night
 April 25 - Hockey Showdown
 May 10 - Breakfast at Rockland
 May 19 - Bang-O-Rama



LIONS CLUB

By Ron Lacey

Well-represented

Grade 11 student Maria Otto and Grade 9 student Christian Book ably represented Georgetown District High School April 4 during a Lions Club-sponsored effective speaking competition at Orchard Park High School in Stony Creek.

A number of Georgetown Lions were on hand to support the local students and help Lion Fred Zorge organize the region and district finals.

Maria and Christian, who had previewed their speeches for Georgetown Lions March 3, joined fellow competitors at 2:30 p.m. April 4; the final trophy was not awarded until 10:30, but speakers from Hamilton, Brampton, Mississauga and many points along the way were excellent.

After the monosyllabic grunts portrayed as conversation among teenagers in so many television sit-coms, it was a pleasure to hear thoughts and beliefs expressed so clearly and with such oratorical skill.

The ages of the students ranged from 14 to 19, with the average being 17. The youngest contestant was Christian, who was first runner-up in the Region Contest. Christian is to be congratulated on a fine performance.

Also to be congratulated is GDHS English department chief Phil Monaghan and his staff. They have every right to be proud of the results of their teaching. The Lions Club of Georgetown thank them very much for their co-operation and assistance.

Also at Stony Creek, among the audience and helpers were Mrs. Otto, Mr. and Mrs. Book, Lions Dan Boyle, Ed Hretchka, Carl Hansen, Ron Lacey and Lionesses Rita Zorge, Madeline Collier, Dorothy Hansen and Edith Lacey.

Move up the highway big one for Tire shop

By Maureen Edward Herald Special

Sunlight filters through the windows, and plants bask in the sun of the new Georgetown Tire showroom.

Undoubtedly this is a change of scene for Peter Gingras, who had managed the business since 1972 in the former Canadian Tire building at the corner of Guelph and Mill Streets.

Georgetown Tire is now located at 345 Guelph Street, next door to Thruway Muffler Centre. Mr. Gingras co-owns Thruway with his partner, Ralph Lanthier, who manages that part of the business. The "mufflercentre" offers the same fast service and a comparable warranty to Speedy Muffler King and Midas Muffler Shops.

"We have a specialist for our tire installation and one of the best exhaust system installers in the area," Mr. Gingras proudly stated.

"Together, the two businesses offer one stop service on just about everything under the fenders of the car - shock absorbers, springs, brakes, front-end alignments and exhaust systems. In addition, we service passenger tires (including computerized tire balancing and wheel alignments), light and heavy truck tires and tires for farm vehicles," continued Mr. Gingras.

"Since many dealers do not service tires for farm equipment, our territory for this type of work extends from Waterdown to Grand Valley and Guelph to King City," Mr. Gingras explained.

Throughout the years, Mr. Gingras has gained considerable expertise and knowledge concerning the tire industry. He says that he virtually grew up around tires because he initially began his career in 1949 as a tire retread technician with one of the major rubber companies.

From a consumer's point of view, it is worth noting that on occasion it may be difficult to obtain a particular Michelin tire size.

This is due to the fact that certain countries are contracted to produce a specific tire size. If a problem should arise in that country, such as political upheavals, then it may be difficult to obtain the size of tire that the particular country manufactures.

On the other hand, Goodyear tires are in abundant supply and, according to Mr. Gingras, are of comparable quality to Michelin tires. He stated that Goodyear is the largest tire manufacturer in the world and produces a wide range of tires for a variety of uses.

Business hours are 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday to Friday and Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon.

Unless you need some mechanical work performed on your car, it is not necessary to book an appointment, since the two businesses specialize in speed with quality service. Georgetown Tire certainly lives up to the slogan "Goodyear service for more good years in your car."

Pawprint session

Meet the author, illustrator and Rags, star of "Rags' Story" at the Georgetown Public Library this Saturday from 2-4 p.m.

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Don't get alarmed - it's just a practice

The Herald received a call Thursday night that the Dominion Seed House on Georgetown's Guelph Street was on fire, with smoke billowing out the windows. On further investigation it was discovered that the Seed House was the scene of the Fire Department's weekly dry run to test out its equipment, complete with smoke bombs.

Every Thursday night at 7 p.m., the department chooses a different location to stage a fake fire.

Vegetable garden project for 4-Hers

By BOB WILSON HALTON 4-H HORTICULTURE CLUB

The Halton 4-H Horticulture Club met April 7 at the agricultural office with 19 members present. President is Carol Ann Laidlaw, Vice president - Norma Wilson, Secretary - Elizabeth Bird, and the Press Reporter is Bob Wilson.

The project for 1981 will be a vegetable garden or flower garden. The vegetable garden will include tomatoes, pumpkins, carrots, spanish onions, beets and one of the member's choice. A flower garden will include petunias, carnations, sweet peas, snap dragons, chrysanthemums, and a flower of the member's choice. The next meeting will be May 5.

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